

FOURTH CIRCUIT ORAL ARGUMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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Case Number: 25-1248

Date of Oral Argument: 05/06/25

Caption: Maryland, et al. v. U.S. Dep't of Agriculture, et al.

Attorney Arguing: Sarah Welch

Arguing on Behalf of (party name):

U.S. Dep't of Agriculture, et al. (all appellants)

Select party type:

☒ Appellant ☐ Appellee ☐ Appellant/Cross-Appellee ☐ Appellee/Cross-Appellant ☐ Amicus ☐ IntervenorAttorney Appearing for Defendant but **Not Arguing** in Consolidated Criminal Case:

Argument Time: Please indicate how much argument time you wish to use. You may thereafter change your requested time or change counsel arguing by filing a new **Oral argument acknowledgment** form and selecting "Amended" within the entry. Counsel arguing the case must be admitted to the Fourth Circuit, file an appearance of counsel form, and file this acknowledgment form.

→20 minutes of argument time are allotted per side; all parties to a side must share oral argument time

→Appellants and cross-appellants may reserve up to 1/3 of their time for rebuttal (7 out of 20 minutes)

First Attorney Arguing Per Side: Sarah Welch

Phone Number (day of argument): (202) 880-3827

Principal Argument Time: 15
(for appellants and appellees)Rebuttal Argument Time (if any): 5
(appellants and cross-appellants only)

Any Second Attorney Sharing Arguing Time:

Phone Number (day of argument):

Principal Argument Time:
(for appellants and appellees)Rebuttal Argument Time (if any):
(appellants and cross-appellants only)

Any Counsel for Amicus Participating in Argument by Leave of Court:

Phone Number (day of argument):

Argument Time:

Select one of the following: ☐ Order allowing argument time
☐ Court-Appointed Amicus

Signature: /s/ Sarah Welch

Date: 04/15/25